



Office of Acquisition and Real Property Services  
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## Notice of Public Hearing Additions to Tomales Bay State Park

The California Department of Parks and Recreation (DPR) will hold a public hearing to discuss the proposed acquisition of 97.57± acres of land in Marin County. The land is located on the east side of Tomales Bay between Marshall and Point Reyes Station. Two separate properties are included in the proposal: Marconi Cove, 6.45 acres of shoreline property just south of the Marconi Conference Center; and the Varlow property, 91.12 acres of ranch land bordering the Millerton Point area of Tomales Bay State Park. Mr. Varlow will gift his property to the California State Parks Foundation. DPR intends to incorporate both properties into Tomales Bay State Park. **The hearing will be held at the DPR Marin District offices at 7665 Redwood Blvd (just north of San Martin Drive), suite 150, in Novato, on Tuesday, November 13, 2001, beginning at 6:00 p.m.** There is off-street parking at the hearing location, and the hearing room and parking lot are accessible to people with disabilities at the south building entrance. The hearing is a requirement of Public Resources Code sections 5006.1 regarding hearings for State Park System acquisitions, and 37012(c) regarding the Natural Heritage Tax Credit Act of 2000.

The purpose of the hearing is to record comments from local public officials and the general public on reasons this property should or should not be acquired by DPR for state park purposes. During the proceedings the purchase property (Marconi Cove) and the gift property (Varlow) will be considered separately. State Parks staff will describe each acquisition proposal and invite comments from local elected officials as well as groups or individuals, e.g. adjacent landowners, with an interest in the proposal. DPR will also accept written comments for the record if received by November 13. Please submit written comments at the hearing or send them to Warren Westrup, Chief, Office of Acquisition and Real Property Services, California Department of Parks and Recreation, One Capitol Mall, Suite 500, Sacramento, CA 95814.

As required by Public Resources Code sections cited above, DPR will submit a summary of the comments about the Marconi Cove parcel to the State Legislature, whereas the Wildlife Conservation Board will receive a separate report on comments directed at the gift parcel (Varlow).

Questions about this notice or requests for special assistance may be directed to Roger Willmarth at (916) 445-9099, or by e-mail at [rwillm@parks.ca.gov](mailto:rwillm@parks.ca.gov). Marilyn Cundiff at the Wildlife Conservation Board (916) 445-1079, or by e-mail at [mcundiff@dfg.ca.gov](mailto:mcundiff@dfg.ca.gov), can answer questions about the hearing process for the gift parcel. Information about the proposals is available on the DPR website at [www.parks.ca.gov](http://www.parks.ca.gov) under *News and Announcements/News Releases 2001*.

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